

MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 1, 2022

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Commissioners

VIA: James Slaton, City Manager

FROM: Jasmine Khammany, Senior Planner
Mark J. Bennett, Development Services Director

SUBJECT: Ordinance 2022-04 Annexation – 1st Reading and **Public Hearing**
217.94 acres of land south of Lake Mabel Loop Road, east of Scenic Highway North, north of Masterpiece Road, and west of Tower Road
PID: 272914-000000-000502, 272914-000000-000513, 272914-000000-031030, 272914-000000-031040, 272914-000000-031010, 272914-860590-013300, 272914-860590-013201, 272914-860590-012900, 272914-000000-013030, 272914-000000-013020, 272914-000000-013010, 272914-000000-011000, 272914-860590-008100

SYNOPSIS: *Ordinance 2022-04 proposes the voluntary annexation of approximately 217.94 acres of land located south of Lake Mabel Loop Road, east of Scenic Highway North, north of Masterpiece Road, west of Tower Road, and contiguous to the incorporated City limits.*

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval at first reading, and adoption after second reading of Ordinance 2022-04 following a public hearing. Public Hearing notice requirements have been met.

A recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Board is not required for an annexation ordinance.

BACKGROUND

Gardinier Florida Citrus, Inc., owner, petitioned annexation into the corporate city limits of Lake Wales on November 30, 2021.

“Attachment A” to the ordinance shows the property’s location. It is contiguous to the City Limits along its western boundary.

OTHER OPTIONS

Decline to annex the property.

FISCAL IMPACT

The annexation will add to the City's tax roll. The properties are valued at a total of \$1,690,775, which would bring in additional property taxes. Additionally, the approval of the annexation would allow the applicant to assemble a tract of land for potential residential development.

ATTACHMENTS

Ordinance 2022-04 with Attachment A

Utility Maps – Annexation 2022-04

Exhibit A – Legal Descriptions